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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Memorandum
SCHOOL YEAR AND HOLIDAYS 1951-1952

PROVISIONS OF THE SCHOOLS ACTS

The school year shall consist of two terms, the first of which shall begin on the first Tuesday of September following Labour Day and shall end on the 22nd day of December, and the second of which shall begin on the 3rd day of January and end on the 29th day of June.

When the 3rd day of January is a Friday, the schools shall not be opened until the following Monday, and when the 29th day of June or the 22nd day of December is a Monday, the schools shall be closed on the preceding Friday.

Every Saturday, every public holiday, the 24th day of May, the 11th day of November, the day appointed annually to be celebrated officially as the birthday of the reigning sovereign, the week following Easter Day, and every day proclaimed a holiday by the authorities of the municipality in which the teacher is engaged and every day upon which a school is closed under the provisions of *The Public Health Act* or the regulations of the Department, shall be a school holiday.

HOLIDAYS

The following are the school holidays during the school year 1951-52.

(1) Thanksgiving Day.
(2) December 22nd - 31st (both days included) — part of Christmas vacation.
(3) The first two days of January — part of Christmas vacation.
(4) Easter holidays — April 11th - 20th — both days included.
(5) The Anniversary of the King's Birthday.

DATES OF OPENING AND CLOSING OF SCHOOLS

The following are the dates of the opening and closing of the High, Continuation, Public and Separate Schools:

Open	September 4, 1951	Close	December 21, 1951
Reopen	January 3, 1952	Close	April 10, 1952
Reopen	April 21, 1952	Close	June 27, 1952

NUMBER OF TEACHING DAYS

In the High, Continuation, Public and Separate Schools, the number of teaching days is as follows:

September, 1951	19	January, 1952	21
October, 1951	22	February, 1952	21
November, 1951	22	March, 1952	21
December, 1951	15	April, 1952	16
	78	May, 1952	22
		June, 1952	19
			120
		Total	198

NOTE:—For the above table, it has been assumed that Thanksgiving Day will be in October, 1951, and the Anniversary of the King's Birthday in June, 1952.

Number of teaching days for *calendar year* 1951—198. For *calendar year* 1952—197.

C. F. CANNON,
Deputy Minister.

Toronto, September 1, 1951.

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NOTICE TO PRINCIPALS

In order that Boards may be enabled to earn their full grants, teachers are asked to comply with the following instructions.

For All Schools

If the number of lawful teaching days varies for different rooms in a school the number for the entire school is derived as in the following example,—

In the case of a ten-roomed school with four rooms, for which the lawful number of days is 195, and six rooms, for which the lawful number of days is 185, the calculation would be,—

4 rooms.....each open for 195 days.....R. x D.....	780	
6 rooms.....each open for 185 days.....R. x D.....	1110	
	1890	
10 rooms.....open for 1890 divided by 10	189	days

Therefore, the lawful number of teaching days for the entire school is 189.

The deductions above may be made only for the reasons given in Part 9, page 4 of the Daily Register for Public and Separate Schools, and Instructions re Register Records, Secondary School Register. The lawful number of days for the whole year must be used where for any other reason a school or a classroom is open for only a part of the year.

For Secondary Schools

1. Up to and including June 6, only those pupils who are in actual attendance in regular classes are to be marked present.
2. All final examinations in Grades IX to XII inclusive shall take place after June 6 on such dates as the principal may determine, and pupils of Grades IX to XII inclusive who write these examinations shall be marked present for every school day from June 9 to June 27 inclusive.
3. All pupils of Grades IX to XII inclusive who have been in regular attendance up to June 6 and who are excused from these examinations because of superior standing during the year shall be marked present for every school day from June 9 to June 27 inclusive.
4. All pupils who write one or more Grade XIII Departmental Examination papers shall be marked present for every school day from June 9 to June 27 inclusive.

NOTE:—The Provisions of Memorandum re Co-operation with Ontario Farm Labour Service, and of Examination Circular 40, if issued, shall not be affected by this memorandum.

C. F. CANNON,
Deputy Minister.

Toronto, September 1, 1951.

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